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April 28, 2022

## Via ECF

Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer United States District Court United States Courthouse Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: JMB Shipping ATB 284, LLC, et al. v. Unico Marine Services LLC Case No. 22-mc-00067-PAE

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

We represent Defendant Unico Marine Services LLC ("Unico Marine").

To supplement the April 22, 2022 letter submitted to this Court addressing the Order of Attachment and seeking vacatur of same, *ECF No. 16*, we now submit this letter on Unico Marine's behalf to notify the Court of the contrasting positions taken by Plaintiffs. More specifically, Unico Marine wishes to advise the Court of the fact that three days after Plaintiffs resumed proceedings in this Court—an act in violation of the preliminary injunction issued by Judge Kuntz in the proceeding in the Eastern District—fthey appealed Judge Kuntz's preliminary injunction Order, necessarily conceding that it remains in force and effect. Therefore, Plaintiffs' April 8, 2022 letter motion to this Court was made in knowing violation of that Order.

Plaintiffs' knowledge and understanding of the continuing force and effect of Judge Kuntz's preliminary injunction Order is evident from the fact that, on April 11, 2022—three days after the Plaintiffs asked this Court to take their Motion to Confirm out of abeyance—, they filed a notice of appeal from the Order, thereby conceding that it remained valid and effective, as no appeal may be taken from an injunction that is no longer in effect. \*See, e.g. Video Tutorial Servs. v. MCI Telcoms. Corp., 79 F.3d 3, 5–6 (2d Cir. 1996) (holding that an interlocutory appeal from a preliminary order "is the paradigm of a moot appeal" and that such an appeal must be dismissed as the Court of Appeals has "no jurisdiction over moot controversies"). Furthermore, Plaintiffs have reaffirmed their knowledge and understanding of the continuing force and effect of Judge Kuntz's preliminary injunction Order by virtue of the fact that they have continued to prosecute

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The appeal bears Docket Number 22-579. A copy of the Docket Sheet is attached hereto as Exhibit A, evidencing that the Plaintiffs have continued, as of April 26, 2022, to prosecute the appeal.

the appeal, clearly evidencing that they believe there remains a justiciable issue over which the Second Circuit may exercise its jurisdiction, *i.e.* Plaintiffs, rightly, believe that the preliminary injunction Order continues to be in force and effect. Otherwise their appeal would be moot and they would have no basis for continuing to prosecute said appeal.

Plaintiffs have misled this Court not only about the status of the proceedings in the Eastern District and the continuing force and effect of Judge Kuntz's preliminary injunction Order, but they have failed to apprise the Court that they clearly recognize and acknowledge the continuing effectiveness of the preliminary injunction Order by appealing it to the Second Circuit. Otherwise, as mentioned above, if the injunction were not in continuing force and effect, the appeal would be moot and the Second Circuit would lack jurisdiction.

Based on the foregoing, and the arguments laid out in the April 22, 2022 letter, *ECF No.* 16, we respectfully request that your Honor vacate the Order of Attachment.

Respectfully submitted,

Lennon, Murphy & Phillips, LLC

By:\_\_\_\_\_

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cc: All Counsel of Record (*Via ECF*)

## Exhibit A

Exhibit A

## General Docket Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit

Court of Appeals Docket #: 22-759 Nature of Suit: 3120 CONTRACT-Marine Glander International Bunkerin v. M/V Teresa

Appeal From: EDNY (BROOKLYN)

Fee Status: Paid

**Case Type Information:** 

1) Civil 2) Private

3) -

Originating Court Information:

**District:** 0207-1 : <u>21-cv-6830</u>

**Trial Judge:** William F Kuntz, II, U.S. District Judge **Trial Judge:** Taryn A. Merkl, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Date Filed: 12/09/2021

 Date Order/Judgment:
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**Prior Cases:** 

22-392 Date Filed: 02/28/2022 Date Disposed: 04/12/2022 Disposition: FRAP 42 P Stipulation with prejudice

Current Cases:

Panel Assignment: Not available

Glander International Bunkering Inc.

Plaintiff

E.N. Bisso & Son. Inc.

Plaintiff-Intervenor

Martin Product Sales, DBA Martin Asphalt Company

Plaintiff-Intervenor

Norton Lilly International, Inc.,

Plaintiff-Intervenor

Buck Kreihs Marine Repair, LLC

Plaintiff-Intervenor

Gulf Copper & Manufacturing Corporation

Plaintiff-Intervenor

M/V Teresa Patrick F. Lennon, Esq., Litigation Counsel

Defendant - Appellee Direct: 203-256-8600 [COR NTC Retained]

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Bahamas Maritime Logistics Services Ltd.

Intervenor

GMD Shipyard Corp. Intervenor JMB Shipping ATB 284, LLC, JMB Shipping ATB 220, JMB Shipping ATB 205,

Intervenors- Plaintiffs-Appellants,

E.N. Bisso & Son, Inc., Martin Product Sales, DBA Martin Asphalt Company, Norton Lilly International, Inc.,, Buck Kreihs Marine Repair, LLC, Gulf Copper & Manufacturing Corporation,

Intervenors-Plaintiffs,

Glander International Bunkering Inc.,

Plaintiff,

V.

M/V Teresa, BARGE BG ACADIA (O.N. 1049252), in rem, Unico Marine Services LLC,

Defendants - Appellees,

Bahamas Maritime Logistics Services Ltd., GMD Shipyard Corp.,

Intervenors,

Forefront Emergency Management, LP, Rio Marine, Inc.,

Claimants.

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